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## FROM THE EDITOR:

This month's newsletter features mostly *Christmas woods*, both rounds and flats, that have been issued for the year 2004. I must say that there are some very colourful and beautiful 'woods' in this group. There are quite a number and cannot all be shown in this January newsletter. The remainder will be shown in the next issue of Timber Talk.

To all, who sent to me, their woods or pictures of their woods, a big 'Thank You'. I have tried to indicate beside each wood any information provided to me for obtaining the wood, including the issuer's address. There are also some editorial comments with some woods. If you request a wood from someone, I feel you should provide at least a *S.A.S.E.* (self-addressed-stamped envelope), unless otherwise indicated. Please remember that *as of January 1, 2005*, the Canadian postage costs increase to: within Canada \$.50; to the U.S.A. \$.85; and to International \$1.45.

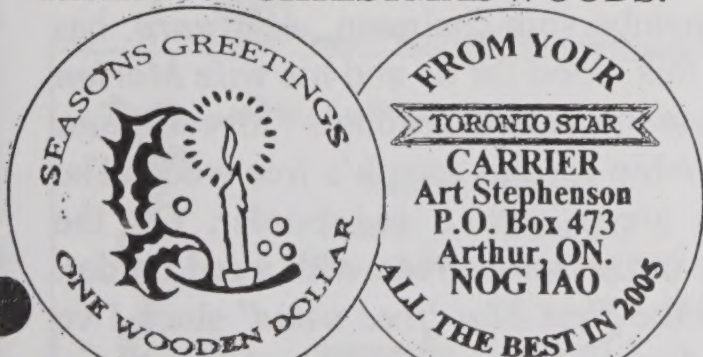
Thank you also to *Dave 'Rusty' Phillips* who has provided the article on pages five and six on Port Alberni woods. This article also has a Christmas flavour.

Thank you also to *Lou Vesh* for his write-up on his Hallowe'en wood for the year 2004. Whenever Lou issues a wood, he can always be counted on for a contribution to this newsletter. Sincere 'Thanks' to all.

## HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR SUBSCRIPTION YET?

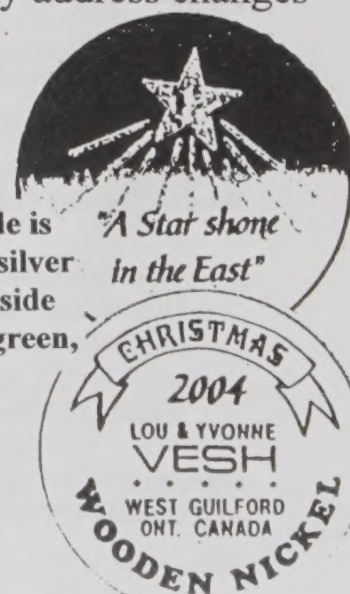
This is just a friendly reminder to those who have still to do this for the year 2005. Renewal details are found at the bottom of page two of this newsletter. Please send any address changes to Al Munro, in Calgary, as well. Thank you.

## YEAR 2004 CHRISTMAS WOODS:



Lou & Yvonne Vesh  
P.O. Box 144  
West Guilford, ON  
K0M 2S0

-star side is  
black, silver  
-name side  
is red, green,  
gold



Art had 500 woods made by Canada Wide Woods. He has had a round Christmas wood made for the past several years. These woods are distributed to all his 'Toronto Star' customers. As a result, he has very few left. I'm sure this distribution has resulted in some very generous 'tips' at this Christmas time of the year. You *might* get one if you write to him.



**JERRY REMICK CHRISTMAS 2004 WOOD FLAT:**

Jerry has issued 100, white, maple wood flats (angel playing a musical instrument). Fifty show the angel and script in green with red border. The other 50 have these colours reversed. On the reverse side, 50 have the French script in red with green border and 50 with these colours reversed. A set of the two different coloured woods is available from Jerry for \$1.00 postpaid. Address is *P.O. Box 9183 Ste. Foy, Quebec, Can. G1V 4B1*. Year 2002 and year 2003 (past issues) are also available for the same price. Norm Belsten made all these woods using the hot-stamped process.

**PAST PRESIDENTS:**

Garry Braunwarth – 1975-1977

Victor Hall – 1977-1979

Don Robb – 1979-1981

Stan Clute – 1981-1983

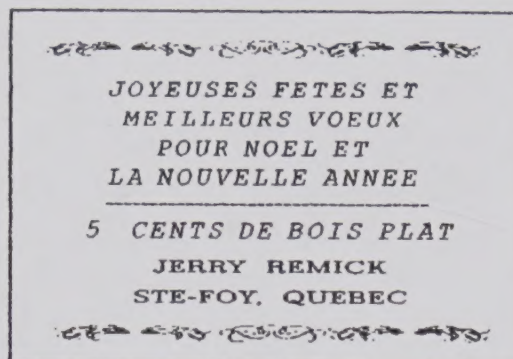
Neil Probert – 1983-1985

Norm Belsten – 1985-1991

Pat White – 1991-1995

Lou Vesh – 1995-2001

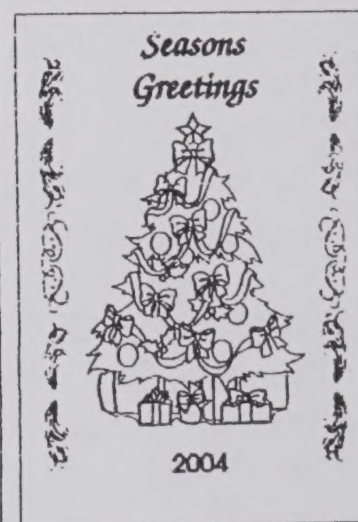
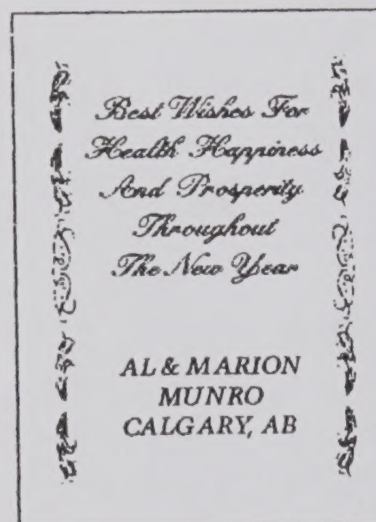
Earl Salterio – 2001-2003

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**FREE WOOD OF THE MONTH**

DUES: Membership dues in the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors are:

Canadian Residents: \$10.00 Canadian Funds  
 United States Residents: \$10.00 U.S. Funds  
 International Members Rate (outside of Canada and U.S.): \$20.00 Canadian Funds  
 Youth (16 years of age and under): \$5.00

Dues paid to Mr. Al Munro, Box 2643 Stn. 'M', Calgary, AB, Canada T2P 3C1

Our membership chairman, *Al Munro*, has issued this wood for he and his wife *Marion* and has provided enough for all our membership for this month's free wood. The tree is green with a red border. On the reverse the script is green with a red border. This is the *first Flat 'free wood'* since I've been editor. The wood was made by Norm Belsten. Many thanks Al and Marion.



## MY WOODEN NICKEL'S WORTH..... *by Lou Vesh*

The number of "trick-or-treaters" at our door dropped drastically this year, for reasons unknown. The weather was definitely not in their favour, but I suspect that the number of younger children in this area is dwindling. It's been a trend over the last few years, as families grow up and move on.

Still, I felt that a Hallowe'en wooden nickel was in order. This year's issue, shown at right, features the comic witch that I first used 4 years ago. I've now given her the name of "Gertie".

Her full nickname is "Guilford Gertie". I am quick to add that the name is not meant to associate with any person, living or dead. Any such similarity is purely coincidental.

The jack-o-lantern has been enhanced with some acrylic paints applied by brush. And what's this, a red nose? Has she been imbibing? Maybe she stopped in at the local liquor store? Has it been 8 hours between the bottle and the throttle? Well, I shouldn't jump to such conclusions. After all, Rudolph has a red nose and flies too, but has never been considered a "beer deer". Cheers.

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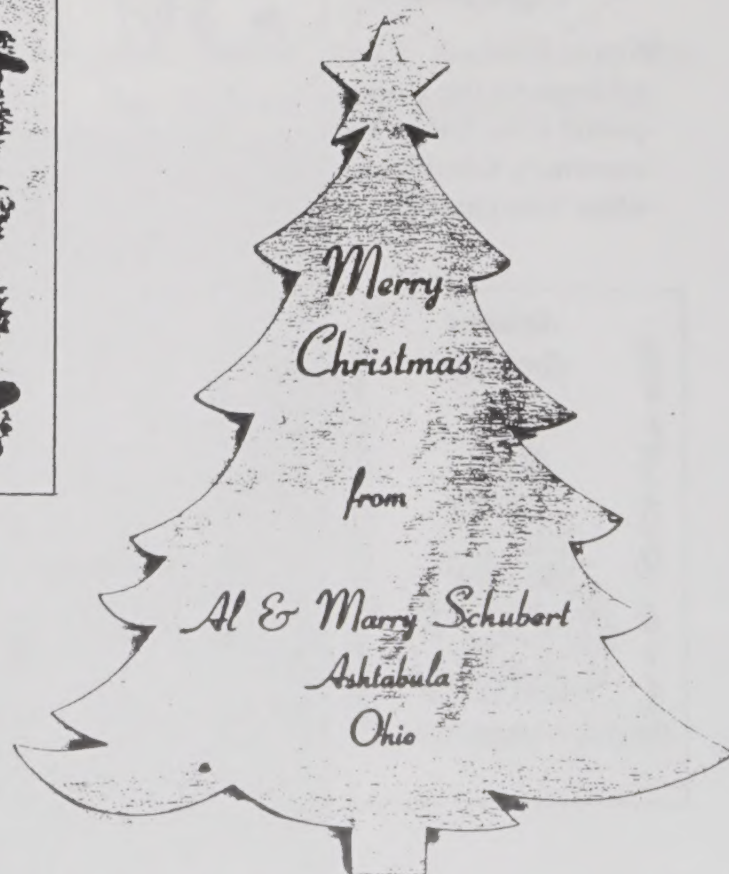
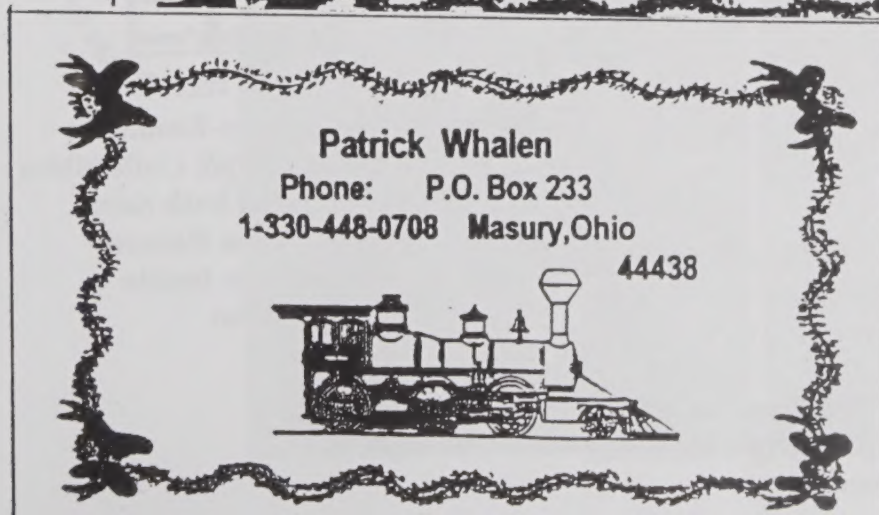
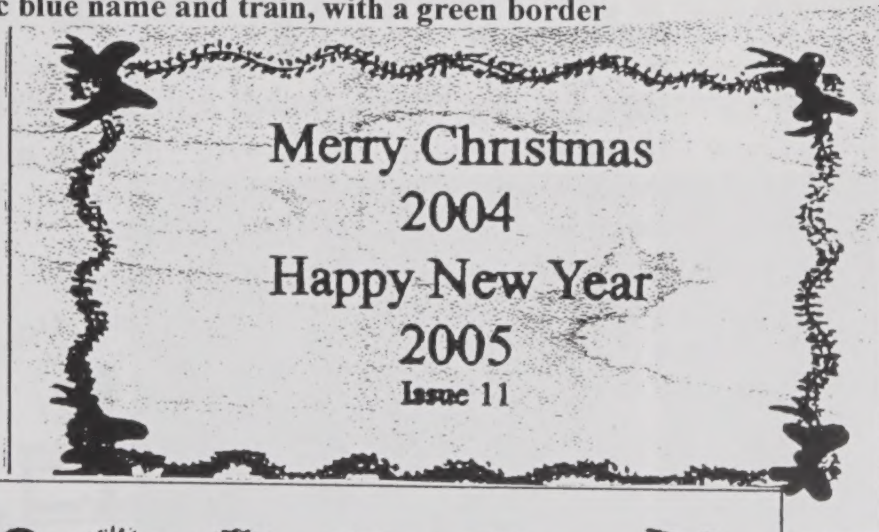


### YEAR 2004 CHRISTMAS WOODS:

Patrick Whalen - 100 made- a few left - will trade his flat for a flat of any  
Address on the wood Christmas wood and he will pay  
postage to mail the wood.

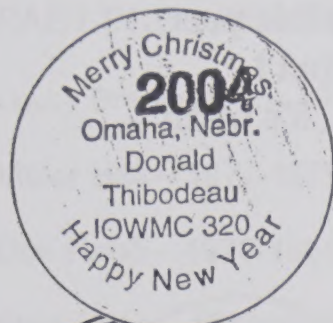
- 'Merry Christmas' side has script (red), border (green) - Train side - has  
metallic blue name and train, with a green border

Tree with green script  
Al Schubert  
1931 E. Prospect  
Box 509, Ashtabula,  
OH, 44004-5336





## YEAR 2004 CHRISTMAS WOODS: -continued



**Don Thibodeau**  
3102 S. 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave.  
Omaha, NE  
68105-3636  
-both sides red



**Clinton List**  
New address  
78 Sugar Loaf Rd.  
Earleton, NY  
12058  
-name side is red  
-santa side is red/green



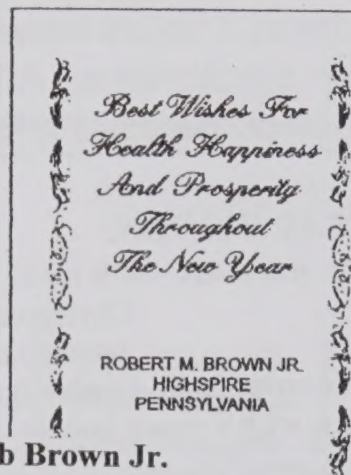
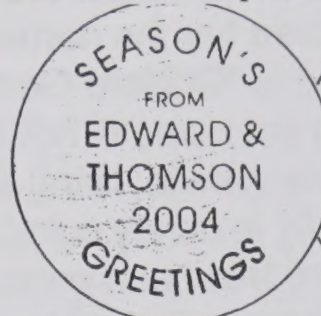
**Wayne Gillcash**  
-address on the wood  
-postal code E4K 2T5  
-snowman side(black)  
-other side (multi)



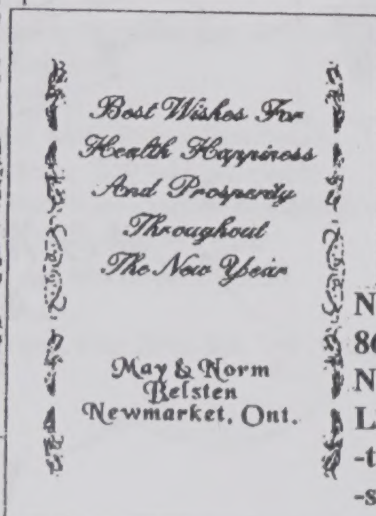
**Edward MacPherson & Thompson Taylor**  
109 Charlotte St. Apt. 5  
Sydney, NS  
B1P 1C1

-They have generously donated enough woods to CAWMC for a free wood which will be distributed with the next issue of 'Timber Talk'.

-teddy bear side is red -script side is green



**Robert M. Brown Jr.**  
P.O. Box 124  
Highspire, PA  
17034-0124  
-reduced size  
-angel side (red,green)  
-script side (green,red)



**Norm & May Belsten**  
86 Hamilton Dr.  
Newmarket, ON  
L3Y 3E8  
-tree side (red,multi)  
-script side (green,multi)  
-reduced size



**Mississauga-Etobicoke Coin Stamp & Collectibles Club**  
-red both sides  
-from Norm Belsten  
-see address beside his wood flat



Many thanks to *Dave "Rusty" Phillips* of Port Alberni, British Columbia for this article on three Port Alberni B.C. woods. The official numbered listings for these three woods, in chronological order, as talked about in the following article, are 9650-05 (round), 9650-09 (flat), and 9650-15 (flat).

### *KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - COUNCIL 3435 - PORT ALBERNI, B.C.*

The Port Alberni Council (#3435) of the Knights of Columbus, in 1992, to commemorate the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the "finding of America in 1492", had made 300 round woods produced for general distribution to those interested.

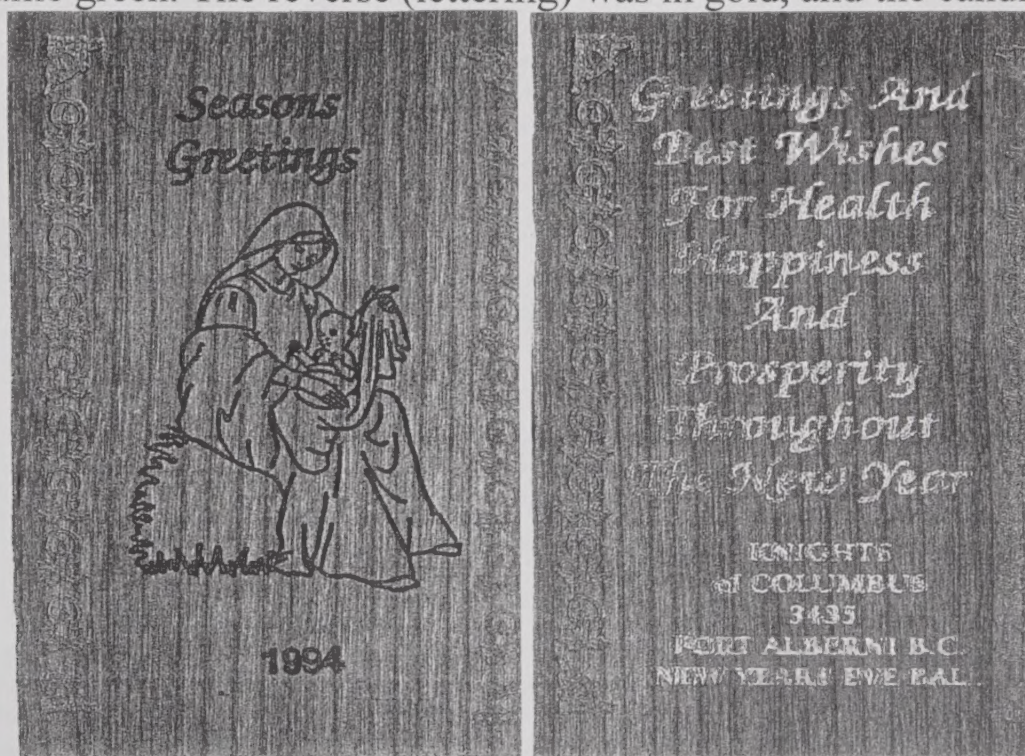
These were standard 38mm. in size and were made by Universal Signs of Fredericton N.B.. The obverse design and the reverse side lettering were dark blue in colour.



The Council, in 1994, to celebrate the Christmas season and, specifically, to distribute to attendees at it's New Years Eve Ball, had 150 flat woods produced.

These were 62mm. wide and 88mm. long in size and were made by Norm Belsten of Ontario.

The obverse design (Mary, Jesus and the lettering) were in metallic blue, and the candles at the edges, in metallic green. The reverse (lettering) was in gold, and the candles in metallic green.



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# *KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – COUNCIL #3435 – PORT ALBERNI, B.C. –continued*

The P.A. Council, in 1997, to commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Knights of Columbus organization in Canada (eg. Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1897 – 1997) had 100 flat wooden “dollars” produced.

The 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Knights of Columbus in Canada was in fact the formation of the first Council in Canada, the Montreal Council (#284) on November 25<sup>th</sup>, 1897.

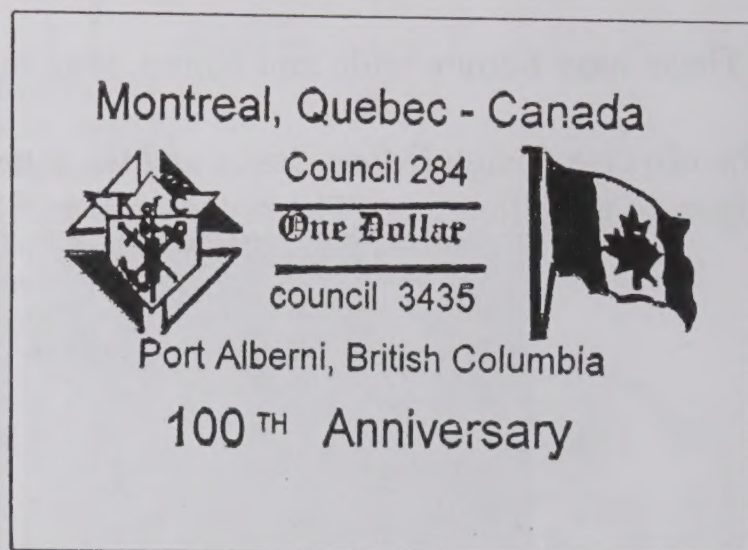
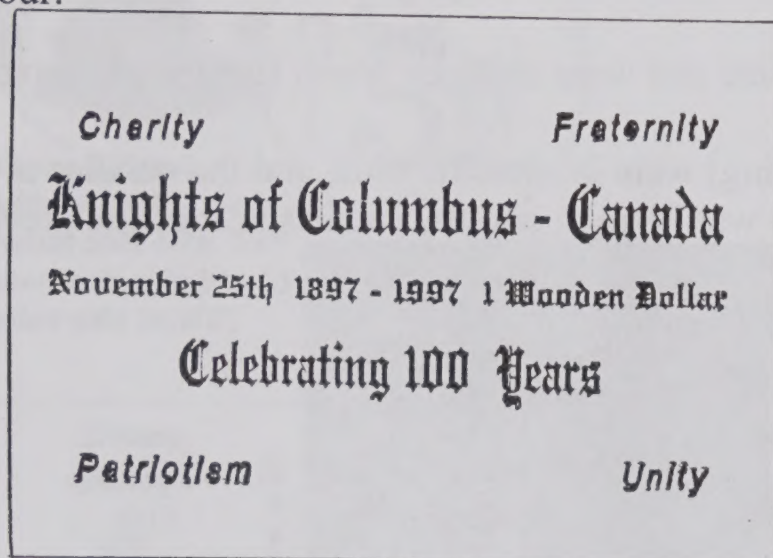
The Port Alberni Council (#3435) celebrated it's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary within a few days (eg. December 6<sup>th</sup>) of Montreal's Council's 100<sup>th</sup>, so this is noted on the reverse side as well.

The distribution of the 100 woods was general, eg. to Council members and others interested.

The woods were 62mm. wide and 88mm. long, and were made by Norm Belsten of Ontario.

On the obverse side, the four corner words were in a dark blue metallic colour and the center lettering was a red metallic colour.

On the reverse side, all the lettering and the flag are a red metallic colour. The logo, the flag pole and halyard and the two lines above and below the words “One Dollar” are metallic blue in colour.



One of each of these three woods was donated to the Alberni Valley Coin Club for it's collection of Alberni Valley numismatica.

The donator was Mr. Stan Banner, a member of the Knights of Columbus, Port Alberni, and also a member of the Alberni Valley Coin Club. The A.V.C.C. is indebted to Stan for donating these woods. Thanks, Stan.